

**HULMEVILLE BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 3, 2014**

The regular monthly meeting of the Hulmeville Borough Council was held on the above date at the Borough Hall, 321 Main Street.

**Councilmember's & Mayor Present**

Thomas Wheeler, President  
Raymond Johnson, Vice President  
Nick Lodise  
Debbie Mahon  
Dan Mandolesi  
Dale Walton Jr.  
Mayor Dave Harris

**Staff in Attendance**

Solicitor Robert De Bias  
Police Chief Tom Walton  
Treasurer Diane McKairnes  
Fire Marshall Bill Wheeler  
Secretary Patricia Boyle  
Water & Sewer Clerk Pat Slater  
Authority Chair Jim Clark

**Councilmember's Absent:** Judy Coleman

**Guests in Attendance:** Sheri Wheeler, Joe McKairnes, Frank Lewis, Ron Robins, Tom & Julie Markert and several residents from Green Street.

**Call to Order:** Mr. Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm; all those present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** Motion made by Mrs. Mahon seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to approve the minutes of January 6, 2014.

**Police Report:** Mr. Johnson read the report for the month of January 2014: 10 Incidents, 5 Traffic, 6 Parking, 0 Accidents, 2 Assists, 0 Summary, 1 Criminal, 6 District Court, 0 County Court, 1 EMS for a total hours worked: 238, Total Salary \$5,088.66.

- Chief Walton asked that residents continue to remove their cars from the roadway during snow storms.

**Public Comment:**

- Tom Markert (TMP# 16-001-075 135 Trenton Ave.) asked Council for support in his efforts to get PennDOT to increase the size of the guard rail and to add a crush strip along the intersection of Green and Trenton Ave, as there have been several accidents within the past several months. According to Mr. Markert, PennDOT recorded that there have been 12 "reportable" accidents between 2008 and 2012 at the intersection of Green and Trenton Avenue. Members agreed that they will assist with Mr. Markert's requests to PennDOT.
- Mr. McKairnes stated that he appreciates all the work Council is doing.

**Authority:**

- Mr. Clark noted that the Authority met to reorganize. He indicated that Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority (BCW&SA) have increased their sewer rates by 5.05%. The Authority does not see an immediate need for an increase in rates for Borough customers. There was discussion about a recent bill from BCW&SA for \$4400 for repairs to a water main on Bellevue Ave. Since the water main is not part of the Borough system the Borough is not responsible for paying the bill.
- Mrs. Mahon noted that there will be a power point presentation at the work session regarding Hulmeville Borough's Storm Water Management Program.

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**Fire Marshall/Emergency Management:** Mr. Wheeler asked for a meeting with Mrs. Mahon to discuss the RSAN system, as some residents did not get the recent call relative to the date change for trash pick-up.

**Trash:** Mr. DeBias suggested that Council start to think about the trash hauler proposal as the contract is due for renewal at the end of the year.

**Zoning:** Mr. Mandolesi noted that he has been in contact with Mrs. Juno to discuss the proposed rental ordinance.

**Personnel:**

- Mr. Wheeler asked that the minutes reflect the unfortunate passing of Mrs. Kathleen Nicastrò on January 30, 2014. Mrs. Nicastrò was elected Tax Collector in 1989 and was an integral part of our community; she was a founding member of the Hulmeville Historical Society and a life member of the William Penn Fire Company Ladies Auxiliary.

**Solicitor Report:**

- A motion was duly made by Mr. Lodise seconded by Mr. Walton to approve Change Order No. 1 on Contract No. 2012-11 with the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Bucks for an increase of \$10,446.00 for repairs to a storm pipe which runs from Trenton Ave to the new culvert; motion passed with all in favor.
- A motion was duly made by Mrs. Mahon seconded by Mr. Mandolesi to authorize Mr. DeBias to prepare a request for payment on Contract No. 2012-11 with the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Bucks in the amount of \$2,828.00 for charges from PECO associated with the relocation and replacement of the electrical service feed to the customer residing at 101 Trenton Ave.; motion passed with all in favor.
- A motion was duly made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mrs. Mahon to authorize Request For Payment in the amount of \$63,978.03 on Contract No. 2012-11 and 2013-8 with the Redevelopment Authority of the County of Bucks; motion passed with all in favor.

**Mayor's Report:** Mayor Harris presented his yearly report of marriage ceremonies performed during 2013: a total of 10 weddings were conducted, receipts totaling \$1075.00 were given to the Hulmeville Historical Society.

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's Report of February 3, 2014 was made available for inspection:

- **General Fund Checking** Balance as of January 1, 2014: \$ 17,438.95  
Expenses Totaled: -\$ 21,553.14  
Income Totaled: \$ 5,266.15  
General Fund Checking Balance as of January 31, 2014: \$ 1,151.96
- **Sewer Fund Checking** Balance as of January 1, 2014: \$ 115,915.78  
Expenses Totaled: -\$ 63,932.17  
Income Totaled: \$ 30,819.53  
Sewer Fund Checking Balance as of January 31, 2014: \$ 82,803.14
- **Sewer Fund PLGIT** Balance as of November 1, 2013: \$360,648.06  
Interest/ November \$ 8.50  
Sewer Fund PLGIT Balance as of November 30, 2013: \$360,656.56

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| • <b>General Fund PLGIT Balance as of November 1, 2013:</b> | <b>\$ 18,372.58</b> |
| Interest/November :                                         | \$ .40              |
| Expenses Total:                                             | <u>\$ - 7679.83</u> |
| <b>General Fund PLGIT Balance as of November 30, 2013:</b>  | <b>\$ 10,693.15</b> |

**Bills:** A copy of the bill list dated February 3, 2014 was provided to Council and offered for review by the public:

- General Fund** beginning balance as of February 1, 2014: \$ - 662.58  
 ending balance as of February 5, 2014: \$ -27,983.72
- Sewer & Water** beginning balance as of January 29, 2014: \$ 82,799.18  
 ending balance as of February 14, 2014 : \$ 63,265.99
- Highway Aid** beginning balance as of February 3, 2014: \$ 19,606.51  
 ending balance as of February 3, 2014: \$ 19,066.96

**A motion was duly made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise and carried unanimously to approve the bill list dated February 3, 2014, motion carries 6-0-0.**

**Communications:** Letter of January 28, 2014 from the Bucks County Planning Commission relative to the Municipal Open Space Program, whereas the County remains committed to funding municipalities to the end of 2017: the amount of award or pending grant available to Hulmeville Borough is \$215,577.00.

The meeting was moved to an executive session at 8:45 to discuss personnel matters.

The general meeting reconvened at 9:20.

- A motion was duly made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise to authorize Lopez, Teodosio & Larkin, LLC to provide for the Hulmeville Borough Tax Collector audit for the year ending December 31, 2013.

There being no further official business the meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm; motion made by Mr. Mandolesi seconded by Mr. Lodise.

Respectfully Submitted

Tricia Boyle,  
Hulmeville Borough Secretary